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In re Application of:

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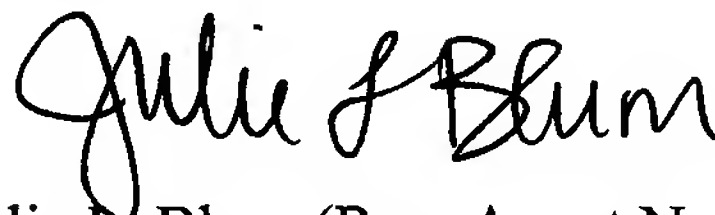
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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for submitting an appeal brief be extended 5 months, from November 25, 2008 to April 25, 2009, by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

Authorization to charge the official fees for this filing is given in the accompanying transmittal letter.

Respectfully submitted,



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